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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Living in a rural area like we do in Oregon, we have been told by the "big" internet providers that we can't get high speed to our area because it is not cost effective. The smaller providers, like Gorge Networks, is able to provide the high speed we need to operate our business efficiently and effectively, and to provide the speed needed for our home recreational use to download movies or pay games online. I oppose the USTelecom Petition because it will leave me with very few choices of providers, and will definitely increase my costs. And Gorge Networks provides competitive telephone services too! This is a country of competition that allows the people to make the choice. If our local providers in rural areas are not allowed to provide the broadband services to our business, it could affect our prices to customers, our time processing our work, and the attitude of our employees. Not to mention the frustrations with not being able to have the speeds we want at our home at a cost we can afford. PLEASE SAY NO TO THIS PETITION! More competition is better for this industry, not worse.

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